

BASEBALL HERE NEXT SEASON

One-Third of the Stock Was
Taken Up Last
Night.

The incorporators of the Richmond Baseball Club and a number of interested persons met at Murphy's hotel last night and informally discussed the prospects of the national game in Richmond during the coming season.

Those at the meeting were enthusiastic over the project, and the secretary reported that one-third of the stock had been taken, and many fans had expressed themselves as being ready to do their share. A number of enthusiasts who could not be present at the meeting, on account of the disagreeable weather, and for other good reasons, sent messages, stating that they would subscribe to the stock.

It was thought by President Donat that all the stock would be disposed of before the league meeting in Norfolk next Wednesday.

Major Wm. H. Sands, counsel for the company, in a short speech said that it was evident from the enthusiasm that was being displayed at the meeting, that the game had revived, and that with a good team here the old-time crowds would attend the games.

President Donat said it was the purpose of the club to place a fast team here, and that the club would be played. He said that from letters and personal interviews, he felt that baseball would be a success in Richmond during the coming season.

Mr. Berrys, of the Traction Company, was present, and said that his company would do all they could to promote the game, and he also believed that the time for a revival in baseball was at hand.

Manager Harley Kain and Vice-President Barrett also spoke in an enthusiastic manner.

"Buck" Hooker was an interested spectator.

The league at their meeting next week will probably decide to admit Dan Hill into the circuit, as that city has expressed a desire to come in. The circuit will embrace Richmond, Norfolk, Portsmouth, Newport News, Danville, Raleigh, Durham and Greensboro.

The meeting was not as largely attended as it would have been had the weather been good, but it was entirely satisfactory.

Hon. Harry Glenn was one of those present who became a stockholder.

THE SITUATION A PUZZLE.

Many Rumors Current Concerning
Baseball.

(Special Dispatch to the Times.)
NEW YORK, January 10.—The baseball situation is a puzzle these days. In the West rumors of a new league, associations and various other baseball bodies, bearing other meaningless names, crop up with startling regularity. The latest out of the West tells of the revival of the old American Association, whose intention was to put teams in big National League cities to play games when the big teams were on the road. These clubs were, it was said, to be under the government of the national body.

It now seems as if there was nothing in the latest rumor, at least so far as New York is concerned. President Freeman, of the Giants, says he knows nothing of it. He says he will not be personally interested in any scheme to play a team in Manhattan field here. He also denies that he is interested in the movement. "Mugsy" McGraw, and says he has had no conference with the Baltimore player. McGraw also sends a hot denial from Baltimore. He says he will not throw down Dan Johnson, of the American League, as the Louisville Dispatch said.

Crescent City Races.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 10.—Weather threatening; track heavy. J. F. Holt, the owner of Cathedral, and his trainer, were suspended indefinitely on account of the running of a dog race in the morning. Holt, Educator and Lady Contrary, were the winning favorites.

First race—selling, one and one eighth miles—Banquo (1) to 1, first, Henry of Franconia (1) to 1, second, Albert (2) to 1, third, Time, 2:05.2.

Second race—six and a half furlongs, selling—Tea (2) to 1, second, Porter (6) to 1, third, Water Plant (9) to 1, third, Time, 1:29.1-2.

Third race—one and a sixteenth mile—Lillian (5) to 1, first, Lillian (5) to 1, second, Titus (8) to 1, third, Time, 2:30.

Fourth race—seven furlongs—Miss Hanover (2) to 1, first, Glen Lake (2) to 1, second, Edgemo (3) to 1, third, Time, 1:28.

Fifth race—six furlongs, selling—Educator (2) to 1, first, Novice (9) to 1, second, Thelma (4) to 1, third, Time, 1:22.1-4.

Sixth race—six furlongs, selling—Lady Contrary (7) to 1, first, Floyd Dixie (5) to 1, second, Olekma (4) to 1, third, Time, 1:24.

Sharkey's Views.

(Special Dispatch to the Times.)
NEW YORK, January 10.—Here is what Tom Sharkey thinks of Kid McCoy, with whom he is to have a session in the ring shortly.

McCoy is taller than I am. That will make him try for those chopping jaws over my guard. But I'll not let him land. I'll keep my guard well up and cut in a few straight lefts to the body which will make the Kid wriggle a bit, if he don't go down.

Sloan's Plans.

(Special Dispatch to the Times.)
RICHMOND, IND., January 10.—Tod Sloan, the jockey, in a recent letter to D. O. Bousler, his foster-father, says that he will return to England in March next. Sloan intends to leave California early in February. He will go to Indiana, and in March will leave for New York, from where he will sail for England. His purpose in going back is to secure a license to ride, and he will ask for this immediately upon his arrival on the other side. He is confident he can get it, as are also his friends, and they expect him to ride in England, as usual.

Monthly Shoot.

The Richmond Pigeon Club held their first monthly shoot at the Base-Ball Park Wednesday afternoon. The following scores were made:

Handicap.	Score.
Buckner.....	28
Wade.....	28
Collins.....	29
Stevens.....	29
Harrison.....	28
Tigler.....	28
Vaughan.....	28
"Fighting".....	15
Hammond.....	30

TWENTY CRUSHED TO DEATH.

(By Associated Press.)
VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 10.—The annual popular festival of Toshi-No-Ichi, in the Kanda District of Tokyo, was the scene of a terrible accident recently. Great crowds attended the festival and when the affair was at its height a heavy rain began falling. A rush was made for shelter and a panic ensued. Twenty per-

Your Liver

Will be roused to its natural duties and your biliousness, headache and constipation be cured if you take

Hood's Pills

Sold by all druggists. 25 cents.

sons were crushed to death and 512 injured.

Some of the buildings were burned by the upsetting of kerosene lamps.

SENATE PROVIDE TO RETIRE LEE

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injustice to the volunteers. He will conclude his speech to-morrow.

A committee, which includes Senator McLaughlin, of South Carolina, was appointed to attend Representative Clarke, of New Hampshire, and at 5:30 P. M. the Senate adjourned.

In the House.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The general debate on the river and harbor bill continued in the House to-day until 4 o'clock, when the death of Representative Clarke, of New Hampshire, was announced, and the House adjourned out of respect to his memory.

Victims attacks on the bill were made by Mr. Cushman, of Washington, and Mr. Menburn, of Iowa.

By unanimous consent the bill to revise and codify the postal laws of the United States was made a special order for the disposal of the river and harbor bill.

Resolutions of respect at the death of Representative Clarke, of New Hampshire, were adopted, and a committee, including Mr. Griggs, of Georgia, was appointed to attend the funeral. The House then adjourned.

THOUGHT TO FAVOR CHARLESTON

Report of Naval Board Will Be Made Public To-day.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The Naval Board, headed by Admiral Rogers, today submitted to Secretary Long its report relative to the advisability of transferring the naval station from Port Royal to Charleston, S. C.

The board was determined not to make the report public until to-morrow, but it is generally believed among officers that the report is in favor of Charleston.

Don't Air the Solitary Caller.

The Salem Times-Register instructs its correspondents as follows:

"Avoid the poetry or verse tendency entirely. Your own poetry is something which will never do anything for you unless it gets you in the almshouse. It has been said, 'That poets are born, not made.' If there is a corn-bush in your study to be able to write correctly even one stanza, so don't attempt it.

"Write little about the young man who called on his girl Sunday night. Such occurrences are very common. If there is a corn-bush in your study, let us have it, but do not air the solitary caller."

ANY ISSUE.

Norfolk's West India Trade.

Norfolk is building up a handsome business in the West India trade. The three ships sailing regularly from this port to Kingston have all the business desired. The cargoes south are composed of coal, cotton goods, provisions, etc., exchanged for tropical fruits which are shipped from Norfolk by rail to all interior cities. Recently one of the ships of this line disposed of its cargo in New York at very satisfactory prices. Norfolk being well located should develop large trade in manufactured goods and food products with all of the islands of the South Atlantic. The success of the West India Fruit Company shows what can be accomplished by a little grit and energy.—Norfolk Journal of Commerce.

A Little Touchy.

The young ladies of Virginia College will probably give a party in the Washington and Lee Hall in Lexington at some time in the near future.—Roanoke Times.

We do not believe that such an idea has ever entered the mind of a single student of the Virginia College faculty, and that the above proposition is only the ravings of an unbalanced intellect and selfish disposition of some Roanoke "filip-flop." The ladies of Virginia College are acquainted with the Roanoke Opera House, and know too well of its adaptability to their purposes.—Buena Vista Advocate.

Parson Walker's Mail.

De Ham, N. C., is also a renowned Grotto. A couple came here to spend their marriage from places two hundred and fifty miles away, and they find ample accommodations. Parson Walker had a very liberal share of matrimonial patronage last year, for which he expresses much gratitude. Most of his couples were well up in years. He married a colored minister who is seventy-one years of age and his bride was eighty-six. A white gentleman seventy-four and his bride fifty-five, and others ranging from twenty down to eighteen.—Danville Register.

The Madstone.

The 8-year-old son of Mr. J. S. Coleman, of Mount Cross, was badly bitten by a dog on Christmas Day. Mr. Coleman is a believer in the virtues of the madstone, and in recounting the experience in town today, stated that the child was carried to Dr. W. H. Powell, of Ringgold, as the possibility of rabies was feared, and that the doctor used the famous Ringgold specific with satisfactory results.—Danville Free Press.

The Pole and Sign Ordinance.

The pole and sign ordinance went into effect Monday and caused the removal of all the unsightly awnings and signs which overhung the pavements. There has been many protests against this ordinance, but the change in the appearance of the city is such a manifest improvement that the merchants will soon be reconciled, and will endorse the law and ask for its endorsement to the letter.—Norfolk Journal of Commerce.

Governor Right.

The Governor was right. It is not the province of the Executive to decide whether the condemned prisoner is a common shoplifter or an aristocratic kleptomaniac. The court should decide that question.—Pulaski News-Review.

Increasing the Census.

It has been ascertained from good authority that the office of the superintendent and that of the resident engineer of the Norfolk division of the Southern Railway will be moved to Lawrenceville the first of the year. This will be an addition of two or three families to our town.—Brunswick Gazette.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

For acceptable Ideas.

State if patented.

THE PATENT RECORD, Baltimore, Md.

THE SITUATION GROWS WORSE

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forces, Lord Coleridge in a letter excusing his non-attendance at a political meeting says:

"I loath and detest this war and the policy which brought it about, the mode in which it is conducted and the undignified excitement over the defeat of a handful of peasants defending the country at the hands of test-tube and machine gun, as the trained soldiers, backed by the wealth of England."

This morning's dispatches report that a small party of Boers carried off cattle close to the east end of Pretoria. Nine hundred Boers, under Commandant Krizinger, are fifteen miles from Richmond, in the direction of Murraysburg.

Rumors are spreading at Porterville that the rebels have joined the Boers in the California district.

The Military Commissioner of Police at Johannesburg has warned the public to beware of the dangerous dynamite mines laid in the East to protect the future, as the authorities cannot hold themselves responsible for injuries resulting therefrom.

SERIOUS ATTACK BY BOERS.

Engage British Simultaneously at Various Points.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Jan. 10.—General Kitchener sends news of a serious simultaneous attack on the night of January 7th, by between points on the British positions the line of the Pretoria and Lorenzo Marques Railway. The losses on both sides were heavy. According to reports the Boers were driven off, and the English fighting. Following is the text of the dispatch from General Kitchener:

"Pretoria (Wednesday), Jan. 9.—On the night of January 7th the Boers made simultaneous and determined attacks upon all our posts at Belfort, Wonderfontein, Noodledag and Wildfontein. Intense fog prevailed and taking advantage of the cover it afforded, the Boers were able to creep up upon us. At 2:30 A. M. when the Boers were driven off. One officer was killed and three were wounded, while twenty men were killed and fifty-nine wounded. The loss of the Boers was heavy, twenty-four dead being counted.

"A convoy taking supplies to Gordon's Brigade, north of Krugersdorp, was attacked by Boers Commando yesterday. The Boers were driven off, but leaving eleven dead on the field. Our casualties were four slightly wounded."

WANT TO FIGHT.

Refugees Petition to Be Allowed to Form a Corps.

(By Associated Press.)

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 10.—The refugees are approaching the military authorities to obtain permission to form a corps for service in the war against the Boers. The petitioners wish to be on the Rand to assist in the defence of their own property. The Chamber of Mines has adopted a similar attitude.

On the Piquetberg road, the Boers occupied a position on the left flank, consisting of two columns, one advancing in the direction of Clanwilliam and the other towards Worcester, or in this direction. All passed in front of Worcester have been occupied by seasoned troops, which are gathering at strategic points. The transport of the Boers was driven off, and many even sending horses to the British camp.

BIG FORCE OF BOERS.

They Are Supposed to Have Captured Several Garrisons.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Jan. 11.—"Five thousand Boers supposed to be trekking west from Pretoria," says the Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Mail, "are now making their way into the heart of Cape Colony. The supposition is that they have captured several small garrisons on the way."

Gas-Heated Stock-Market.

In the use of ordinary branding irons for marking cattle with the owner's private brand they become cool so rapidly while in operation that it is necessary to provide a number of them, in order that the branding may be done in a single heat. Unnecessary pain is also caused by holding the iron on the flesh for a longer time as it begins to cool. To improve this condition of affairs William B. Douglas, of Hot Springs, Ark., has invented the improved branding iron illustrated in the cut. It

BRANDING IRON AND HEATER COMBINED.

consists of a gasoline reservoir, with a pressure tank and pump, and a hollow branding iron of any desired pattern. In operation gasoline or some other volatile liquid is placed in the reservoir. The branding iron is heated by the gas which is heated by outside means. As soon as the valves are opened and the volatilized liquid begins to escape the platinum ignites it, and thereafter the gas maintains the proper degree of heat in the iron. The same apparatus can be utilized by a number of ranches by simply unscrewing the iron and replacing it with one of a different pattern.

No Small Matter.

By the way, the establishment of the United States of Australia is likely to have more effect on the international mail than on anything else, we imagine. If you write "U. S. A." now, no foreigner can tell what you mean unless there is other material for identification.—Norfolk Mail.

RURAL FREE DELIVERY.

Information Governing the Receipts for the Mail.

With the adoption of rural free delivery of the mails in various sections of Virginia, the following information given by the First Assistant Postmaster-General in regard to free delivery boxes in answer to request through the Midland Virginian, at Palmyra, Pluvanna county, will prove of interest to other sections.

1. Congress has not authorized the Department to require the adoption of any particular description of box for use on rural free delivery routes.

2. For the proper protection of the mails, the Department insists that the boxes put up shall be secure and appropriate and of a character to give protection from the weather and to be reasonably proof against mischievous or malicious interference.

3. Metallic boxes are deemed best for this purpose, and it is desired, though not imperatively required, that they should be of uniform make.

4. Such boxes, when put up with the approval of the Postmaster-General through his authorized agents, are regarded as falling under the protection of Section 5466, United States Revised Statutes (Sec-

AT BERRY'S.

Main and 11th Streets.



FEW MORE HEADS ARE LOPPED OFF

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Industrial circles that the Baltimore Steam Packet Company (Bay Line) had been purchased by the Southern Railway Company. Being a portion of the Seaboard system, the report was generally discredited, but no positive statement could be obtained from representatives of the steam company.

Former Mayor Robert Davidson, a member of the managing committee of the Seaboard system, however, stated to-night that he would be in a position to know it, if negotiations were pending for the sale of the Packet Company. In his opinion the report is a Canard.

The sale, a few days ago, of the steamer Virginia, of the Bay Line, to the Cape May and New Jersey Coast Steamship Company, may, possibly, have been the origin of the rumor. The Virginia will be used during the summer to run between Lewes, Delaware and Cape May, N. J., to the Queen Ann Railway, an independent company.

WHOLESALE REMOVALS.

A press dispatch from Norfolk says: "The removals at the Seaboard Air Line twenty-four hours are wholesale, and are in conformity with the determination of President Williams and his Board of Directors to reduce expenses."

20th Century Sale

we can suit the taste of the Mother, the purse of the Father and the fancy of the "cherubs."

\$1.85 will buy Suits that were \$3.50 and \$3.00.

\$2.50 will buy Suits that were \$4.50 and \$4.00.

\$3.50 will buy Suits that were \$6.00 and \$5.00.

\$2.50 will buy Reefers that were \$4.00 and \$3.50.

\$4.75 will buy Reefers that were \$7.00 and \$6.00.

\$4.75 will buy fine Suits, Norfolk, Vestee, Vest and double-breasted styles, that were \$7.50 and \$7.00.

JUST ADDED!

\$3.50 will buy Overcoats that were \$5.00 and \$4.50.

\$4.75 will buy Overcoats that were \$7.50, \$7.00 and \$6.00.

These Overcoats are in Cover Top Coats and heavy Ulsters.

The Fowler's Dream.
(Written for The Times.)
I am sitting burning incense at the shrine of Nick O'Teen.

In a polished bar center with a smooth and glossy floor, I will stand and a fire crackles brightly on a bed of glowing coals.

Throwing tidal fleeting shadows like a dance of tortured souls Over the sturdy, polished studs of the shooting lodge's walls.

To the sound of dismal howling as the night wind blows in equals. In the hollows 'tween the studding rows of guns, I dress parade.

Butly stand at stiff "attention," silhouetted in the shade. And the roaring restless ocean plays a drowsy lot of times.

As its combing crash in thunder in their battle 'gainst the dunes.

What kind of winter is this, anyway? One day you want a heavy overcoat; the next day a summer suit feels just right. The only way is to wear the right kind of underwear, and have a HEAVY and a LIGHT overcoat.

Little money will buy so much here now—thousands of

Suits and Overcoats

that were

\$13.50, \$12.50 and \$7.50

\$10.00, are now.....

\$18.00, \$16.50 and \$9.75

\$15.00, are now.....

\$22.50, \$22.00 and \$12.75

\$20.00, are now.....

\$30.00, \$28.00 and \$17.50

\$25.00, are now.....

BIG REDUCTIONS IN THE

PROPER UNDERWEAR.

OH BERRY & CO.

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tion 124 of the Postal Laws and Regulations, which provides that:

"Any person who shall wilfully or maliciously injure, deface or destroy any mail matter deposited in any letter box, pillar box, or other receptacle established by authority of the Postmaster General," shall be liable to a fine of not more than \$500 and imprisonment for not more than three years.

Postmasters are instructed to call the attention of the United States Attorney for the district to any violation of this provision of law, and to aid in the discovery and prosecution of the offender.

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Funeral of Mr. Bozzaotra.

The funeral services of Mr. Gennaro Bozzaotra took place at 3:20 yesterday afternoon at the residence of his uncle, Dr. W. H. Delaney, No. 522 Clay Street, and were conducted by Dr. W. J. Young, pastor of Court-Street Methodist Church. The remains were interred in the Presbyterian Cemetery.—Lynchburg Advance.

Would Draw the Line.

That sweet Georgia singer, Sidney Lanier likens a Georgia lane to a path that leads to heaven in a dream. If he were alive, this religious daily would refrain from publishing his opinion of the Bristol-Bountville road after a soaking rain.—Bristol Courier.

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